

Please remember in your prayers

Pray for those who are not well at this time and pray for the souls of the recently departed, may they rest in peace.



The Church of England

Holy Cross Church

Serving the Community of Bilbrook in the Parish of Tettenhall Regis

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(10am-12noon Monday-Friday)



Rotas & Readings for May to August are now available for collection at the back of church. Pam

For Sale Very roomy and sturdy shopping trolley; pull along- two wheels and stand - £5. Please speak to Rosemary

Baptism Anniversary Service Today! Sunday 13th May at 4pm. Everyone who has been Baptised – whether it be a week ago or 80 years ago - is invited to attend. **Celebrate your Baptism!**

Prayer Session - Join us at 2pm on Tuesday 15th May when our theme will be: - **'Thy Kingdom Come'**.

Royal Wedding Special event at Trinity 19th May 11am – 2pm. See poster for more information.

DCC Meeting There will be a short meeting of the DCC after the Eucharist next Sunday (20th May)

Pentecost Praise Party in Christ the King at 4pm on Pentecost, Sunday 20th May. We want musicians, particularly young people, to participate. There will be a practice, in Christ the King at 4pm on Sunday 13th May.

Quiz Night 7pm in the Church Hall on Saturday 9th June. Tickets from Jo, Carole or Trish

Circus Berzercus returns Friday 15th June at St. Michael's. Doors open at 6.30pm, show starts at 7pm. Tickets £5 Adults, £3 Children, £15 Family (2 Adults & 2 Children), available from the Parish Office

Sunday 13th May 10.45am

Welcomers: Jean H, Jean M

Reader: Mark

Prayers: Andrea

Offertory: Grace, May, Victor

Assist: Janet, Mike

Pebble Pool: Mary

Sunday 20th May 8am

Sides, Reader, Offertory, Assist : Janet

Sunday 20th May 10.45am

Welcomers: Mary, Victor:

Reader: Mike

Prayers: Jo

Offertory Rita, Sheila, Rebecca

Assist: Mike, Mark

Pebble Pool: Andrea

Sunday 13th May Seventh Sunday of Easter

10.30am Sunday Club

10.45am Sung Eucharist

(Celebrant: Revd Richard Reeve)

Coffee/Tea will be served at the back of church after the 10.45am Eucharist.

4pm Baptism Anniversary Service

Hymns for Sung Eucharist

Introit: **26** Alleluia, sing to Jesus

Gradual: **69** Breathe on Me, Breath of God (Trentham)

Offertory: **560** Will you come and follow me

Communion: **Choir** My Jesus, My Saviour

452 Soul of my Saviour

Recessional: **277** Jesus shall reign (Truro)

This Week

Mon	14	
Tues	15	2pm Prayer Session 'Thy Kingdom Come' 2pm Craft Group 7pm Eucharist
Wed	16	6.30pm Friendship Club
Thur	17	9.30am Eucharist 10am Coffee Pop-In
Fri	18	12noon Eucharist 2pm Ladies Circle - Beetle Drive
Sat	19	10am Place of Welcome 7pm Quiz Night
Sun	20	Pentecost Sunday 8am Eucharist 10.30am Sunday Club 10.45am Sung Eucharist 4pm Pentecost Praise Party (CtK)

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

COLLECT

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING Acts 1.15–17, 21–26

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people). He said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus – for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us – one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

SECOND READING 1 John 5.9–13

A reading from the first letter of John.

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

GOSPEL John 17.6–19

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus looked up to heaven and prayed: 'Father, I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.'

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ

POST COMMUNION

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.